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Dear Examiner:

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Further responsive to the Office Action mailed April 4, 2007, and the Office Communication mailed October 29, 2007, setting a one (1) month period for response. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to January 29, 2008. Please enter the remarks into the record.

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